

SCDXC Newsletter



The Southern California DX Club is a group of dedicated men and women active in the amateur radio community who enjoy communicating over the air with other radio amateurs around the world. The SCDXC strongly supports the DX Code of Conduct. Please visit their website:

www.dx-code.org

The SCDXC newsletter is published monthly and released to club members around the first of each month. Amateur and DX related letters, news and pictures are welcome and will be published as time and space permit.

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Any questions regarding this newsletter or its articles should be addressed to the Editor, Sandi, N6CU at:

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Club meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM except April, June and December.

Please check the club web site for events and details at:

<http://www.scdxc.org>

If you are in the area please say hello on our repeater:

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From the Desk of the President Doug Millar, K6JEY

"Hi Things are moving along in March. Be sure you are all signed up and ready to go to Visalia for the DX convention. It should be quite a time. Speaking of quite a time, be sure to be at the March SCDXC meeting and the dinner at Sizzler beforehand. The dinner gives us lots of time to socialize and get together. Look at HB Doug's info for the program details of the meeting. Remember to bring a little extra cash for the raffle, as Doug has been doing a great job of getting nice goodies.

Please check the membership list and make sure you are paid up. It is important and is one way we keep the club going.

We will be having a vote at the meeting on a minor constitutional change that makes the constitution come more in line with what we actually do. Please come and participate in that vote.

This is a great part of the year for DXing. Some good expeditions are out there and conditions are pretty good. Keep your mike and key handy.

73 and 52, Doug K6JEY"

Vice President's Corner Doug Dowds, W6HB

VEEP Peeps.....

Thanks for another GREAT showing at the February meeting. Many thanks to Dr. Bruce, AG6BJ, for his presentation on the art of hearing, speaker design and Elecraft's magic audio box.

Here's hoping all drooled over at least some of the prizes and maybe even won one. Be prepared for a whole new array of goodies in March!

I just got off the phone with our March speaker, Mark, WB6CIA. All is good to go for "CASSINI and MER -- 12 Years On Another Planet ." I visited JPL and watched the MER's being built and when I saw them on TV years later I was still amazed by what man has been able to accomplish. We as DXers pound our chests and toot our horns after working someone on the other side of the Earth. Just think of the pride of those who were able to bring us all the information via RADIO from Mars.

There will be no SCDXC meeting in April as we will all be busy finalizing everything for the IDXC in Visalia. If you haven't made your bookings please jump over to www.dxconvention.org and "get-er-done."

I am hoping to get Chip, K7JA, to do a presentation on antennas for the May meeting. Here's hoping he can fit us in.

See you 10 March for more camaraderie and rag chews...

73 - Doug - W6HB



March Guest Speaker

Mark Shaefer WB6CIA Bio

Interplanetary Telecommunications

How does NASA/JPL get all those great pictures and all that science data back to Earth

Mark Schaefer
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Extra License 1972
President of
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Cal Poly Pomona ARC
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Jet Propulsion Laboratory 1979 to 2011
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RF Engineer
Space Exploration Technologies 2011 to present
16 Falcon 9 Rocket Launches
8 Dragon Missions to ISS



SCDXC Constitution

To the SCDXC Membership:

"The board wishes the membership to vote on the following amendment at the March meeting of the Southern California DX Club.

The constitution needs to be amended to change the election month and dates of service of the SCDXC board members. The changes are in red that will be voted upon.

Amendment to the SCDXC Constitution:

Article 4. Governing Body

Section 1. Officers

Currently stated:

The officers of the Club shall consist of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Officers are elected by the voting members present at the regular January meeting and shall be elected for a period of one year
(February 1 through January 31).

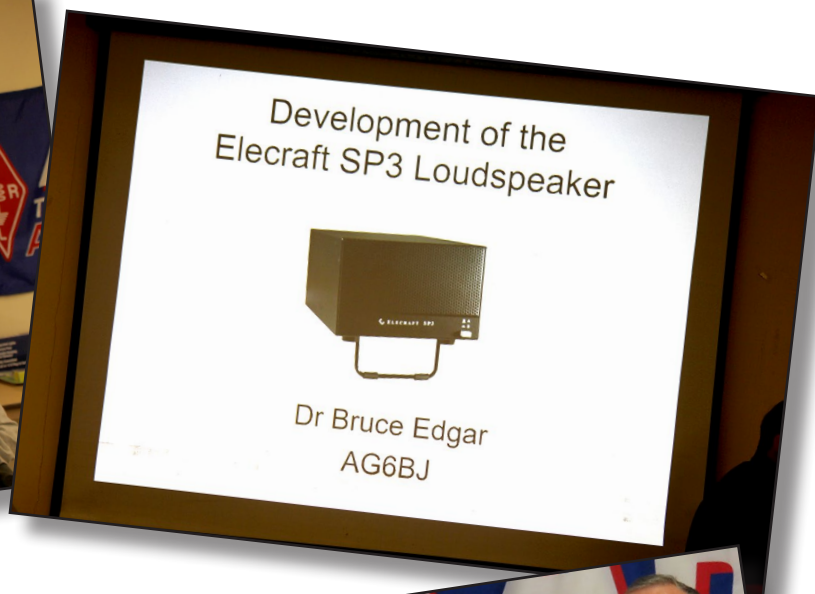
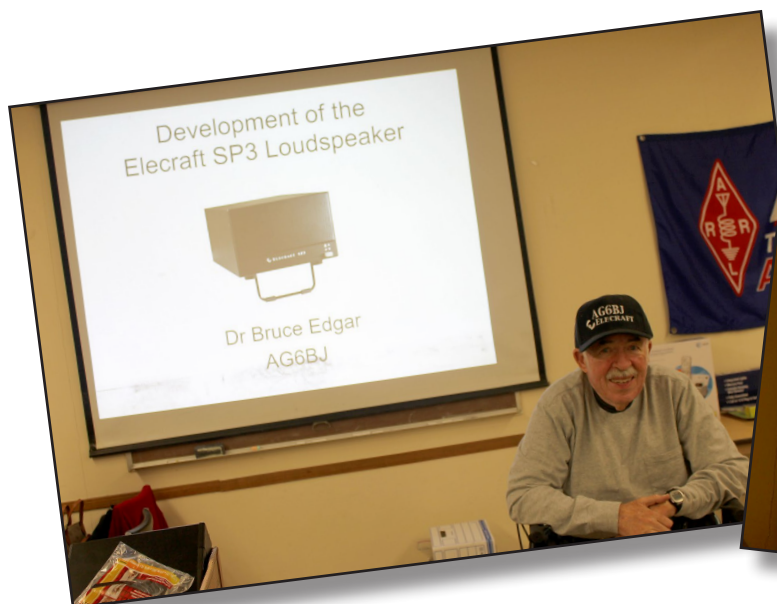
Amendment:

The officers of the Club shall consist of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Officers are elected by the voting members present at the regular November meeting and shall be elected for a period of one year
(January 1 through December 31).

The vote will be taken at the March 10th, 2016 club meeting.

Thank you.
Kris Jacob
KC6TOD

March 2016 Meeting



Photography by
Micheal Berchfold, K6MKL

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Tidbits



Jim Zimmerman, N6KZ a past president of the SCDXC who was awarded the “Volunteer of the Year” at the recent ARRL SW Div convention.

From the Editor

Hi Everyone, I hope that you are all doing well. I just wanted to say hi and let you know what will be needed for future issues of the Newsletter.

All submissions need to be in by the 20th of each month. Anything that comes in later than that will be in the following issue. Submissions should be submitted in the following formats. For articles MS Word or PDF. For photos JPEG is the best and a large size file is even better.

I am looking forward to getting articles from all of you. Remember this is your newsletter and if you have something you want to share with your fellow Hams, well, this is the place to do it.

You can submit your articles/photos to:
qcatgal@mac.com

Thank you
Sandi, N6CU



DX Standings as of 02-25-16

DX Standings are calculated by your entries in Club Log. To learn how to use club log and enter your countries see <http://www.scdxc.org/dx-standings.html>

Rank	Callsign	160	80	60	40	30	20	17	15	12	10	DXCC
1	K6YUI	130	202	0	313	310	362	331	342	317	326	365
2	W6SR	185	269	0	325	302	351	327	345	287	329	358
3	K6FG	145	240	0	329	328	351	332	339	317	328	355
4	N6RV	71	159	0	279	115	350	187	323	124	291	355
5	W8DX	40	246	0	335	300	348	324	331	269	307	352
6	N6QQ	56	118	0	273	243	344	293	315	234	274	351
7	W6OU	7	46	0	106	29	320	108	258	64	218	350
8	W6VX	175	258	4	326	310	347	336	331	318	321	347
9	N6WS	29	137	1	250	116	324	185	304	141	272	346
10	KR6C	130	145	0	229	191	315	234	281	193	203	344
11	N6HY	126	199	3	295	282	333	303	299	241	246	341
12	SM5GMZ	140	175	0	268	226	313	240	294	222	243	341
13	KM6HB	8	136	1	197	122	296	185	279	189	240	340
14	W6ZPL	3	107	0	169	11	305	167	263	113	215	335
15	NS6C	16	142	0	253	230	316	275	266	254	225	334
16	AI6Z	14	182	0	241	247	284	256	275	255	248	333
17	N6MXU	26	39	0	144	57	267	123	202	75	193	329
18	K0OK	9	138	0	215	170	237	238	240	218	216	326
19	W6SW	0	8	0	15	3	247	8	138	2	80	326
20	W6DR	80	106	0	198	97	280	102	236	63	196	323
21	AC6DX	28	132	1	253	146	305	234	253	218	272	318
22	NK6A	1	14	0	96	69	248	64	252	31	182	303
23	N6VNI	4	72	0	138	102	267	203	236	184	199	301
24	W6YOO	22	42	1	106	129	203	140	145	92	107	289
25	N6GP	9	156	0	182	118	244	143	204	136	182	288
26	ZL3TE	21	61	0	209	154	248	144	213	120	175	288
27	K6IPV	41	67	0	131	156	189	217	176	180	171	287
28	N6PE	70	95	0	139	66	240	158	202	123	162	286
29	SK5A	63	85	0	122	92	154	144	138	94	122	284
30	KT6LA	0	110	0	127	16	198	117	221	56	174	274
31	K7MY	0	11	0	68	28	192	126	180	93	129	267
32	K6SS	7	22	0	54	17	186	151	181	126	119	248
33	W6LEN	4	41	0	130	102	149	58	130	46	110	217
34	K6AFW	2	7	0	48	6	146	20	5	3	177	202
35	W6KC	0	3	0	103	0	132	1	146	2	141	195
36	K6DDJ	0	9	0	44	7	96	17	145	10	70	178
37	K6DXA	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	175	175
38	AD6LV	0	4	0	25	0	141	27	87	24	77	172
39	K7LA	1	6	1	14	0	75	39	109	37	50	156
40	W6QE	0	1	0	21	0	76	4	57	0	65	149
41	K6NQY	0	1	0	11	0	67	42	73	29	55	143
42	KK6FJQ	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	132	135
43	SM5X	14	19	0	28	18	41	48	41	13	13	123
44	K6DSW	1	1	0	35	0	70	12	46	9	80	120
45	N6DBF	0	9	0	32	9	72	20	57	30	57	117
46	K6MKL	0	0	0	12	0	58	3	48	3	27	115
47	N6RU	2	3	0	12	0	33	13	35	19	78	111
48	SG5Z	33	25	0	43	0	61	6	84	6	52	98
49	AI6DF	3	0	0	0	0	13	1	59	6	47	75
50	W6MPB	1	3	0	6	4	32	6	28	3	19	61
51	KK6ABZ	0	2	0	3	0	7	1	0	0	4	8
52	K6QU	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2

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4	K0OK	0	5	0	12	8	18	17	45	10	17	91
5	N6PE	2	24	0	29	7	59	9	62	9	27	84
6	W8DX	1	9	0	42	9	28	10	11	10	8	84
7	ZL3TE	0	5	0	26	48	40	22	35	8	14	80
8	NK6A	0	0	0	24	3	46	3	57	2	31	70
9	NS6C	14	13	0	21	10	18	11	17	5	6	67
10	SG5Z	0	22	0	40	0	42	0	42	1	3	63
11	N6VNI	0	4	0	5	0	22	3	26	2	6	49
12	W6SR	3	5	0	9	4	10	5	29	5	1	34
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23	K6SS	0	1	0	0	0	5	0	1	0	0	6
24	SK5A	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	1	1	6
25	K6DSW	0	0	0	2	0	4	0	1	0	0	5
26	W6SW	0	0	0	0	0	4	1	1	1	0	4
27	KT6LA	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	4
28	N6RV	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	1	0	0	3
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32	K7LA	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	2
33	KK6FJQ	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2
34	K6MKL	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	2
35	KR6C	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1

Volunteers Needed!!

I am looking for Gals and Guys to help with the sale of raffle tickets at the DX convention.

Date and Time of the raffle ticket sale: Friday, April 15th from 11 A.M. to 5 P.M.

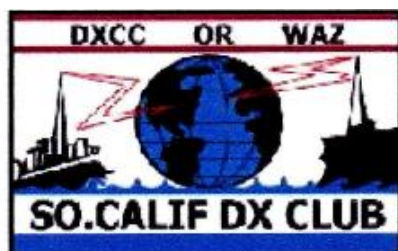
Saturday, April 16th 8 A.M. to 5 P.M.

I will be asking for volunteers again at the club meeting Thursday night March 10th. If you can help please see me and I will have you add your name to the sign up sheet. Your help will be deeply appreciated.

73

de

George T. Jacob Jr. N6VNI, SCDXC CLUB PAST PRESIDENT.



Southern California DX Club, Inc.

Membership Renewal []

New Member Application []

Date _____

Name _____ Birthday (MM) _____ Call Sign _____

Spouses Name _____ Birthday (MM) _____ Call Sign _____

Mailing Address _____

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Notes: _____ Supporting Member []

March

Sunday
Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday
Saturday
1**2****3****4****5**International
DX-Phone**6**International
DX-Phone**7****8****9****10**General
Meeting
7:30pm**11****12**Palm Springs
Hamfest**13****14****15****16****17**St. Patrick's
DayVE Testing
6:00pm**18****19****20****21****22****23****24****25****26****27**

Easter

**28****29****30****31**

*April**Sunday**Monday**Tuesday**Wednesday**Thursday**Friday**Saturday*

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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 VE Testing 6:00pm	15 67th International DX Convention Visalia	16 67th International DX Convention Visalia
17 67th International DX Convention Visalia Rookie Roundup -Phone	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29 Nevada State Convention (NVCON) (Thru May 1)	30 Nevada State Convention (NVCON) (Thru May 1)



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Date and Times - Third Thursday of every month, @ 6 P.M. unless otherwise noted. Pre-Registration is requested and preferred. Walk-ins are welcome.

2016 TESTING SESSIONS

~~Thursday, January 21st, 2016 6 p.m.~~

~~Thursday, February 18th, 2016 6 p.m.~~

Thursday, March 17th, 2016 6 p.m.

Thursday, April 21st, 2016 6 p.m.

Thursday, May 19th, 2016 6 p.m.

Thursday, June 16th, 2016 6 p.m.

Thursday, July 21st, 2016 6 p.m.

Thursday, August 18th, 2016 6 p.m.

Thursday, September 15th, 2016 6 p.m.

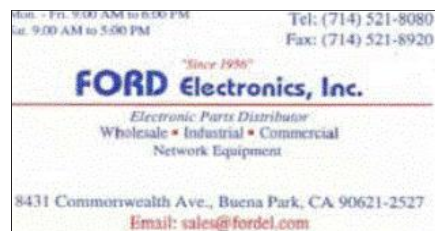
Thursday, October 20th, 2016 6 p.m.

Thursday, November 17th, 2016 6 p.m. (Subject to change per holiday schedule)

On Exam Day Bring the Following Items

- A legal photo ID (driver's license, passport) or Two forms of non-photo ID; e.g., birth certificate, social security card, library card, utility bill or other business correspondence with name of the examinee as it appears on the Form 605 and current mailing address.
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- A calculator with memory erased and formulas cleared (no iPhones, iPads, etc.).
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